

1 (Whereupon, the deposition began at ^  
2 ^ a.m. ^ p.m.) 9:04.

3 VIDEOGRAPHER: We are now on the record for  
4 the deposition of Dr. Richard Bishop. Today is  
5 April 30th, 2009. The time is 9:03 a.m. counsel, 09:04AM  
6 please identify yourselves for the Record?

7 MR. DEIHL: Colin Deihl on behalf of  
8 Cargill.

9 MR. TRIPLETT: Eric Triplett on behalf of  
10 Cargill. 09:04AM

11 MR. HIXON: Philip Hixon on behalf of  
12 Peterson Farms.

13 MR. JONES: Tim Jones on behalf of the  
14 Tyson defendants.

15 MS. KEATING: Lisa Keating with an. 09:04AM

16 MS. XIDIS: Claire Xidis for the State  
17 Oklahoma.

18 VIDEOGRAPHER: On the phone?

19 MR. GRAVES: James Graves on behalf of  
20 George's and George's farms. 09:05AM

21 WITNESS  
22 having first been duly sworn to testify the truth,  
23 the whole truth and nothing but the truth, testified  
24 as follows:

25 DIRECT EXAMINATION

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1 value per household times the number of house holds,  
2 the smaller -- therefore, the smaller the number of  
3 house holds, the lower the total value estimates.  
4 Incomes is -- the lower income part of this is less  
5 clear. 11:27AM

6 Q Why is that?

7 A In general we think -- let me rephrase. Total  
8 value estimates often are sensitive to income, that  
9 is to say, people are willing to pay more, the  
10 higher their income but that's not always true, and 11:27AM  
11 so sometimes lower incomes may lead to lower total  
12 values but not always.

13 Q The next bullet indicates a possible factor  
14 that could lead to total lower total values is  
15 faster reduction of injuries. Do you see that? 11:28AM

16 A I see that.

17 Q Would you agree that the time stated for  
18 recovery of the resource has an impact on  
19 willingness to pay?

20 A Other things being equal, the longer the 11:28AM  
21 injuries last, the larger are the damages.

22 Q So it's possible that if the solution the  
23 State shows in this survey, the alum treatment, had  
24 assigned a slower recovery time, the willingness to  
25 pay would have been different? 11:29AM

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1 MS. XIDIS: Objection to form.

2 A

3 (Whereupon, the court reporter read  
4 back the previous question.)

5 A In our study the alum treatments were part of 11:30AM  
6 what I've been calling the solution, the solution  
7 part of the contingent valuation exercise. This is  
8 talking about the length of time that the injuries  
9 last. So if -- that's how I'm interpreting this.

10 If the injuries last five to twenty years, then 11:30AM  
11 other things being equal, damages will be less than  
12 if the injury lasts a hundred years.

13 Q Okay, and if the solution resulted in the  
14 injuries lasting a smaller amount of time, then that  
15 could affect the willingness to pay; correct? 11:30AM

16 MS. XIDIS: Objection to form.

17 A It's possible.

18 Q Just hypothetically, for example, if the State  
19 had chosen a solution, in this case that would have  
20 cleaned up the resource more quickly, it would have 11:31AM  
21 changed the willingness to pay number potentially;  
22 correct?

23 MS. XIDIS: Objection to form.

24 A We didn't do that survey, so I wouldn't -- I  
25 don't know how respondents would have responded. 11:31AM

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1 Q I know you don't know based on a survey, but  
2 you know based on logic that that is possible;  
3 correct?

4 MS. XIDIS: Objection to form.

5 A 11:31AM

6 (Whereupon, the court reporter read  
7 back the previous question.)

8 A If the solution works faster, it is possible  
9 the damages would be larger.

10 Q And if the solution worked more slowly? 11:32AM

11 MS. XIDIS: Objection to form.

12 A It's possible that the damages could be  
13 smaller, the measured damages, excuse me, the  
14 measured damages are smaller.

15 Q The last bullet on this page indicates that 11:32AM  
16 the severity of injuries to the Illinois River and  
17 Tenkiller Lake are lower than these studies; do you  
18 see that?

19 A I see that.

20 Q And this is Stratus Consulting's opinion in 11:33AM  
21 November of 2004, that the severity of injuries in  
22 the Illinois River and Tenkiller Lake are lower than  
23 the other studies listed at the top of the page; is  
24 that your understanding?

25 A I don't know who wrote this or what their 11:33AM

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